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**Request for Deferral of Examination 37 CFR 1.103(d)**

Application Number		Group Art Unit	
Filing Date		Examiner Name	
First Named Inventor		Attorney Docket Number	

Address to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

I hereby request deferral of examination under 37 CFR 1.103(d) for the above-identified (non-reissue) utility or plant application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (maximum 3 years), from the earliest filing date for which a benefit is claimed. Deferral of Examination under 37 CFR 1.103(d) is suspension of action. As a result, any patent term adjustment may be reduced. See 37 CFR 1.704(c)(1).

**Note:** The request will not be granted unless the application is in condition for publication as provided in 37 CFR 1.211(c) and the Office has not issued either an Office action under 35 U.S.C. 132 or a notice of allowance under 35 U.S.C. 151.

☐ If the application is filed prior to November 29, 2000:

I hereby request voluntary publication of the above-identified application under 37 CFR 1.221. A copy of the application in compliance with the Office's electronic filing system requirements has been submitted and the confirmation number is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Note:** A request for voluntary publication under 37 CFR 1.221 requires a copy of the application in compliance with the Office's electronic filing system requirements (EFS) as set forth in the USPTO Electronic Business Center Web Page at [www.uspto.gov/ebc](http://www.uspto.gov/ebc), the publication fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d), and the processing fee for the voluntary publication set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i).

☐ If applicant previously filed a nonpublication request under 37 CFR 1.213(a):

I hereby **rescind** under 37 CFR 1.213(b) the previous filed request that the above-identified application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

**Note:** Application will be scheduled for publication at 18 months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed.

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ii. ☐ Publication fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

iii. ☐ Processing fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i) for voluntary publication.

iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

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